

Public Acts Passed at the Second Session of the Thirty-sixth Congress.

CHAS. XXV.—An Act to carry into effect Conventions between the United States and the Republic of New Granada.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a commissioner, whose duty it shall be, conjointly with a commissioner appointed by the Government of New Granada, to investigate, adjust, and determine the amount of the claims of citizens of the United States against the Government of New Granada, pursuant to the terms of a convention signed at Washington on the tenth of September, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a secretary to said commissioner in behalf of the United States, versed in the English and Spanish languages; and the said board is hereby authorized to appoint a clerk.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the compensation of the respective officers, for whose appointment provision is made by this act, shall be as follows: To the commissioner, in full for his services, two thousand five hundred dollars; to the secretary and interpreter, in full for his services, the sum of two thousand dollars; and the President of the United States shall be and he is hereby authorized to make such provision for the contingent expenses of the said commission on the part of the United States, as shall to him appear reasonable and proper.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioner on the part of the United States, in conjunction with the commissioner on the part of New Granada, shall be and he is hereby authorized to make all needful rules and regulations for conducting the business of their said commission; such rules and regulations not contravening the Constitution of the United States, the provisions of this act, or the provisions of the said convention.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized and required to transmit to the said commissioner such papers or records relating to the said commission as he may deem proper, or as may be called for by the said commissioners, and at the termination of the commission, all the records, documents, and all other papers which have been brought before the commissioners, or which may be in possession of their secretary, shall be deposited in the Department of State.

Provided, That this section shall not be so construed as to prevent the commissioner on the part of New Granada from depositing in the said Department certified copies or duplicates of papers filed on behalf of his Government, instead of originals.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That upon suggestion by any claimant that a witness whose testimony may be deemed important to him refuses or is unwilling to testify in regard to his claim, it shall be competent for said board of commissioners to issue a commission to some suitable person to take the testimony of such witness, and such witness may be compelled to appear and testify before such commissioners in the same manner as is now provided by law in the case of commissions issued from the courts of the United States.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That all acknowledgment of indebtedness on the part of the Government of New Granada to claimants, citizens of the United States, being established by the award of the board of commissioners, shall be delivered to the Government of the United States, and made payable thereto; and the United States shall thereupon assume and pay to such claimants, at the Treasury, upon the certificate of the board of commissioners, whatever sums of money shall have been severally awarded them, the Government of the United States becoming thereby the creditor of the Government of New Granada, for the aggregate of all sums so assumed and paid, and entitled to receive to that extent the payment stipulated and guaranteed under the third article of the convention referred to in the first section of this act.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That for the compensation of the officers authorized by the third section, and the contingent expenses of the commissioner on the part of the United States, and for the compensation and expenses of the umpire under the said convention, which is required to be defrayed by the United States, and likewise to pay the awards which may be made, according to the provisions of the seventh section of this act, such sums as may be necessary be and they hereby are appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a commissioner, whose duty it shall be, conjointly with a commissioner appointed by the Government of Costa Rica, to investigate, adjust, and determine the amount of the claims of citizens of the United States against the Government of Costa Rica, pursuant to the terms of a convention signed at San Jose, on the second day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That the compensation of the commissioner, for whose appointment provision is made by this act, shall be, in full for his services, two thousand five hundred dollars; and the President of the United States shall be and he is hereby authorized to make such provision for the contingent expenses of the said commission on the part of the United States as shall to him appear reasonable and proper.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioner on the part of the United States, in conjunction with the commissioner on the part of Costa Rica, shall be and he is hereby authorized to make all needful rules and regulations for conducting the business of their said commission; such rules and regulations not contravening the Constitution of the United States, the provisions of this act, or the provisions of the said convention.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized and required to transmit to the said commissioner such papers or records relating to the said commission as he may deem proper, or as may be called for by the said commissioners, and at the termination of the commission, all the records, documents, and all other papers which have been brought before the commissioners, or which may be in possession of their secretary, shall be deposited in the Department of State.

Sec. 13. And be it further enacted, That upon suggestion by any claimant that a witness whose testimony may be deemed important to him refuses or is unwilling to testify in regard to his claim, it shall be competent for said board of commissioners to issue a commission to some suitable person to take the testimony of such witness, and such witness may be compelled to appear and testify before such commissioners in the same manner as is now provided by law in the case of commissions issued from the courts of the United States.

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Sec. 14. And be it further enacted, That for the compensation of the commissioner authorized by the tenth section, and the contingent expenses of the commissioner on the part of the United States, and for the compensation and expenses of the umpire under the said convention, which is required to be defrayed by the United States, such sums as may be necessary be and they hereby are appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 20, 1861.

PREMIER OFFICE, JUNE 6, 1861.

To all whom it may concern.

APPLICATION having been made under the act of 23d June, 1860, for the release of the land warrants described herein, which are alleged to have been lost or destroyed, notice is hereby given that, at the date following the description of each warrant, a new certificate of like tenor will be issued, if no valid objection should then appear.

No. 30,625, for 160 acres, issued under the act of March, 1855, in the name of Susanna Hubbard, widow of John Hubbard, deceased, and granted on the 16th day of June, 1856—August 31, 1861.

No. 29,951, for 80 acres, issued to James Balenger, on the 8th of April, 1856, under the act of 3d March, 1855—June 18, 1861.

No. 77,124, for 120 acres, issued to Eliza S. Frey, on the 11th June, 1856, under the act of 3d March, 1855—June 22, 1861.

No. 62,781, for 160 acres, issued to Henry Dierking, on the 31st April, 1857, under the act of 3d March, 1855—July 1, 1861.

No. 92,067, for 120 acres, issued to Nehemiah Yalohol, on the 15th May, 1857, under the act of 3d March, 1855—July 3, 1861.

No. 51,984, for 160 acres, issued to Lemuel Wilmer, on the 16th January, 1857, under the act of 3d March, 1855—July 4, 1861.

No. 5,255, for 80 acres, issued to James Carmichael, on the 10th of September, 1855, under the act of 3d March, 1855—July 5, 1861.

No. 25,372, for 120 acres, issued to Rachel Loveland, on the 18th October, 1855, under the act of 3d March, 1855—July 9, 1861.

No. 27,674, for 80 acres, issued under the act of 3d March, 1855, in the name of William Taylor, and granted on the 15th day of March, 1856—August 7, 1861.

No. 3,116, for 160 acres, issued under the act of 1847, to Augustus Ingram, private of Captain Murray's company, second regiment of Tennessee Infantry—September 6, 1861.

JOSEPH H. BARRETT, Commissioner.

PROPOSALS FOR FUEL.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. MARINE CORPS, Washington, May 22, 1861.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until Tuesday, the 25th day of June, 1861, at 3 o'clock P. M., for supplying wood and coal to the United States Marines, stationed at Washington, D. C., from the 1st July, 1861, to the 30th June, 1862.

The wood to be best oak sapling, and to be delivered, piled, measured, and inspected, at such point within the walls of the marine barracks as may be designated by the commanding marine officer, free of expense to the United States.

The coal to be best white ash anthracite egg coal, free from dust, and to weigh 2,240 lbs to the ton, to be weighed, inspected, and delivered at such point within the walls of the marine barracks as may be designated by the commanding marine officer, free of expense to the United States, and both wood and coal to be furnished at such times and in such quantities as the said commanding marine officer may require.

Payment will be made upon the quarterly requisition of the commanding officer, stating the quantities required for the use of his command, agreeably to regulations.

A guaranty, to be signed by two responsible persons, whose responsibility must be certified to by the United States District Judge, United States District Attorney, or United States Collector, must accompany each proposal, otherwise it will not be considered.

To be endorsed, "Proposals for Fuel," and addressed to the undersigned.

W. B. SLACK, Q. M. Marine Corps.

MAY 24—W4W

Arrangement of the Mails.

AT THE WASHINGTON CITY POST OFFICE.

The Northern Mail closes at 1 o'clock and at 9 o'clock P. M. daily, and arrives at 6.10 A. M. and at 6 P. M. daily.

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The Northwestern Mail closes at 1 o'clock P. M. and at 9 o'clock P. M. daily, and arrives at 6.10 A. M. and 6 P. M. daily.

The Atlantic Mail closes at 4.30 P. M. and arrives at 3 o'clock P. M. daily.

Letters and papers for offices in the following countries in Western Virginia, are sent daily to Wheeling for distribution:

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The letters for Tennessee are forwarded to Louisville, Kentucky.

The office will open for delivery at 8 o'clock A. M. daily, and closes at 8.30 P. M. daily, except on Sunday, when it will open at 8 and close at 10 o'clock A. M., opening again at 6 P. M., and remaining open till 7 P. M.

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JUNE 8—EOLM

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MAR 14—EOLM

Proposals for Stationery.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, June 1, 1861.

SEALED PROPOSALS for furnishing such stationery as may be required by this Department during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1862, will be received until 12 o'clock M., on Monday, the 1st of July next. Those unaccompanied by satisfactory testimonials of ability to fulfill the contract will not be considered, and contracts will only be awarded to established manufacturers, or to dealers in the articles.

All articles required must be of the best quality of their kind, and not inferior to the samples which will be exhibited at the Department.

Each proposal must be signed by the individual or firm making it, and must specify but one price for each and every article of the schedule or of the class bid for.

The articles, when furnished, must correspond with the samples, or any of them, if desired, and in no case be inferior in quality to the sample; and they must be delivered without delay when ordered, and must be satisfactory to the Secretary; and a failure to comply with this stipulation will be deemed cause for the abrogation of the contract.

Articles not named in the schedule are to be furnished at the option of the Department, at the lowest market prices, and the right is reserved of ordering a greater or less quantity of each article contracted for, as the public service may require.

Bonds, with approved security, must be given by the person or firm obtaining the contract; and, in the event of the refusal or neglect of the contractor to furnish any article or articles named in the contract on the order of the Superintendent clerk, the same may be purchased in open market, and the difference in price paid therefor, and the contract price shall be charged to the contractor, and deducted in the settlement of his account for the quarter during which such refusal or neglect may occur.

The subjoined schedule specifies, as nearly as can now be done, the amount, quality, and description, of each of the articles likely to be required.

The bids will be canvassed for each of the three classes separately, and contracts for one or more of the classes awarded, as may be deemed most advantageous to the Department.

Proposals to be addressed to the Superintendent Clerk, Department of the Interior, and endorsed, "Proposals for Stationery."

CLASS No. 1.—Paper.

1. 6 reams blue demy, cut to size, and ruled to Garden pattern, ruled and faint, per ream.

2. 6 reams white laid cap, heavy, ruled to stop pattern, per ream.

3. 6 reams blue laid cap, ruled to stop pattern, per ream.

4. 6 reams English blue laid cap, ruled to stop pattern, per ream.

5. 30 reams folio post, heavy, satin or plain-finished, ruled and trimmed, per ream.

6. 10 reams folio post, light, plain, unruled, for official seal, per ream.

7. 397 reams cap, white or blue, ruled wide, medium, or close, and trimmed, per ream.

8. 50 reams cap, white or blue, ruled, extra superfine, per ream.

9. 40 reams consular cap, white or blue, trimmed and ruled, per ream.

10. 10 reams consular cap, white, double thick, superfine, per ream.

11. 10 reams legal cap, white or blue, trimmed and ruled, per ream.

12. 690 reams quarto post, white or blue, ruled various widths, per ream.

13. 80 reams quarto post, extra superfine, thick, cream laid, ruled, per ream.

14. 25 reams white vellum note paper, highly glazed, hard calendered, lined and gilt, per ream.

15. 15 reams commercial note paper, lined, per ream.

16. 10 reams buff note paper, lined, per ream.

17. 15 reams flat cap, white or blue, unruled, per ream.

18. 75 reams envelope, yellow or buff, royal, per ream.

19. 170 reams large brown envelope, per ream.

20. 35 reams pink blotting, per ream.

21. 40 dozen sheets patent blotting, per dozen sheets.

22. 12 sheets drawing paper, antiquarian, per sheet.

23. 12 sheets drawing paper, double elephant, per sheet.

24. 25 sheets drawing paper, elephant, per sheet.

25. 75 sheets drawing paper, royal, per sheet.

26. 200 sheets tracing paper, French, large size, per ream.

27. 300 yards tracing cambric, per yard.

28. 6,100 binders' boards, 6 1/2 by 10 1/2 inches, per C.

29. 25 reams cloth-lined paper, royal, per ream.

30. 12 dozen press copy books, not exceeding 500 pages, per dozen.

CLASS No. 1.—Continued.—Envelopes.

1. 5,000 muslin-lined, printed to order, 6 by 3 1/2 inches, per M.

2. 1,000 muslin-lined, printed to order, 5 1/2 by 3 1/2 inches, per M.

3. 500 muslin-lined, printed to order, 5 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches, per M.

4. 490,000 adhesive envelopes, white, yellow, or buff, heavy, 5 1/2 by 3 1/2 by 3 1/2 inches, printed to order, per M.

5. 6,000 adhesive envelopes, white, heavy, 5 1/2 by 3 1/2 by 3 1/2 inches, printed to order, per M.

6. 36,000 adhesive envelopes, white or yellow, heavy, letter, 5 1/2 by 3 1/2 inches, printed to order, per M.

7. 5,000 adhesive envelopes, card, per M.

8. 8,000 adhesive envelopes, note, per M.

Intermediate sizes ordered not to be charged higher than bid for size next larger.

CLASS No. 2.—Pens.

1. 100 dozen cards Perry's pens, and of other manufacture, assorted, per dozen cards.

2. 1,000 gross Perry's, Gillott's, or other good metallic pens, per gross.

3. 6,000 quills, No. 80, per M.

4. 12 dozen gold pens, silver cases, and pencils, best quality, per dozen.

5. 10 dozen gold pens, barrel or other, without cases, best quality, per dozen.

6. 100 gross Pratt's or Arnold's anti-corrosive pens, per dozen.

CLASS No. 2.—Continued.—Pencils.

1. 14 dozen ivory or gutta percha ever-pointed pencils, large or small, with leads, per dozen.

2. 425 dozen Faber's, or other good, No. 1 to 4, or graduated, per dozen.

3. 25 cases Faber's, &c., polygrades, graduated, per case.

4. 62 dozen Faber's, &c., red and blue pencils, per dozen.

5. 44 gross leads, best quality, assorted, per gross.

CLASS No. 2.—Continued.—Ink, Inkstands, Wafers, and Wax.

1. 4 dozen Draper's, or any other patent, large or small, inkstands, per dozen.

2. 5 dozen oval glass inkstands, with glass stopper, per dozen.

3. 8 dozen cast-iron double or single inkstands, per dozen.

4. 6 dozen French pump inkstands, per dozen.

5. 150 dozen Maynard & Noyes's ink, or Bryan & Wilcox's ink, quarts, per dozen.

6. 80 dozen Maynard & Noyes's ink, or Bryan & Wilcox's ink, pints, per dozen.

7. 25 dozen Bryan & Wilcox's writing fluid, per dozen.

8. 25 dozen copying ink, quarts, Arnold's, or any other manufacture, per dozen.

9. 25 dozen Walden's extra English ink, quarts, per dozen.

10. 5 dozen best blue ink, quarts, per dozen.

11. 30 dozen best French carmine ink, ounce, per dozen.

12. 10 dozen Davies's carmine ink, ounce, No. 1, per dozen.

13. 105 M seal wafers, best quality, red, No. 2, for office seal, per M.

14. 10 pounds best red wafers, common size, per pound.

15. 200 pounds best extra super scarlet sealing wax, per pound.

CLASS No. 2.—Continued.—Cutlery and Miscellaneous Articles.

1. 25 dozen Rogers's or other knives, four blades, buck or pearl handles, per dozen.

2. 15 dozen Rogers's ivory-handle razors, per dozen.

3. 10 dozen Rogers's spring razors, ivory or ebony handles, per dozen.

4. 1 dozen ivory water stamps, per dozen.

5. 4 dozen office shears, extra, per dozen.

6. 4 dozen office scissors, per dozen.

7. 100 dozen silk laces, in banks, per dozen.

8. 400 dozen red tape, assorted, per dozen.

9. 5 dozen paper weights, assorted, per dozen.

10. 30 pounds unprepared India rubber, per pound.

11. 10 dozen Green's ink eraser and paper cleaner, per dozen.

12. 125 pounds prepared India rubber, per pound.

13. 100 quarts best black sand, per quart.

14. 20 dozen pounds, per pound.

15. 1 dozen best Chinese India ink, per dozen.

16. 2 dozen "daniel's" hair pencils, assorted, per dozen.

17. 2 dozen sable pencils, per dozen.

18. 4 dozen Windsor & Newton's best English water colors, per dozen.

19. 300 pounds linen twine, per pound.

20. 100 pounds best cotton twine, per pound.

21. 12 dozen mahogany rulers, round or flat, 30 inches long, per dozen.

22. 6 dozen India rubber rulers, round or flat, Goodyear's patent, per dozen.

23. 6 dozen lignumvite rulers, round or flat, 30 inches long, per dozen.

24. 30 pounds best quality sponge, per pound.

25. 40 pounds gum arabic, per pound.

26. 10 dozen mullage, large-size glass jars, with brush and metallic stop, per dozen.

27. 10 dozen mullage, in earthen or glass jars, pints, without brush or tops, per dozen.

28. 120 dozen penholders, assorted, per dozen.

29. 6 dozen water stands or boxes, cocoon, per dozen.

30. 6 dozen sand boxes, per dozen.

31. 12 dozen strong 9-inch ivory folders, per dozen.

32. 6 dozen earthen or glass sponge cups, per dozen.

CLASS No. 3.—Parchment.

1. 1,000 sheets of parchment, best quality, 15 by 20 inches, per sheet.

2. 3,000 sheets of parchment, best quality, 15 by 22 inches, per sheet.

3. 100 sheets of parchment, best quality, 28 by 32 inches, per sheet.

4. 200,000 sheets parchment paper, best quality, 10 by 16 inches, per sheet.

5. 10,000 sheets parchment paper, best quality, 15 by 20 inches, per sheet.

FORM OF GUARANTEE.

I, _____, do hereby certify that _____ has proper facilities, and is able to fulfill a contract for furnishing stationery for the Department of the Interior during the year ending June 30, 1862, should _____ bid be accepted.

MAY 28—W4W [Intelligencer and Star]

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, June 5, 1861.

ON the petition of Richard F. Loper, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, praying for the extension of a patent granted to him on the 13th of November, 1847, for an improvement in "ship building," for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 13th day of November, 1861.

It is ordered, That the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 29th day of October next, at 12 o'clock M.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

The testimony in the case will be closed on the 14th of October next; depositions and other papers raised upon as testimony must be filed in the office on or before the morning of that day; the names, if any, within ten days thereafter.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the *Republican*, of Washington, D. C., and *North American*, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, once a week for three successive weeks; the first of said publications